**Murder and Mayhem**

***The Great Gatsby*:** Facts behind the Fiction

For this class project, we will create a newspaper which combines both factual historical articles and information alongside fictional articles based on ***The Great Gatsby*.**  Each small group will be responsible for creating a page or section spread (2 pages) for 1 of 8 different newspaper sections. Each page must have at least one historical piece, one fictional piece and an appropriate layout. Group members will receive three grades: individual, group (overall), and participation.

1. 􀂃 **News Page** 
   1. • Historical news story \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   2. • Fictionalized Gatsby story \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   3. • Flag, front page information, photos, captions \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. 􀂃 **Editorial Page** 
   1. • Historical editorial \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   2. • Fictionalized Gatsby editorial \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   3. • Masthead, letters to editor, political cartoon \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. 􀂃 **Lifestyles Page** 
   1. • Historical story \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   2. • Fictionalized Gatsby story \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   3. • Photos, captions \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. 􀂃 **Advertisement Page** 
   1. • Historical advertisements (from 1920s) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   2. • Fictionalized Gatsby advertisements \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   3. • Classifieds, personals \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. 􀂃 **Entertainment Page** 
   1. • Historical entertainment story \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   2. • Fictionalized Gatsby story \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   3. • Photos, captions \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. 􀂃 **Obituary Page** 
   1. • Historical obituary \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   2. • Fictionalized Gatsby obituary \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   3. • Death notices, photos, captions \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
7. 􀂃 **Sports Page** 
   1. • Historical sports story \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   2. • Fictionalized Gatsby story \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   3. • Photos, captions \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
8. 􀂃 **Business Page** 
   1. • Historical business story \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   2. • Fictionalized Gatsby story \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   3. • Photos, captions \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***Grade Requirements:***

**Content (0-15 points)**

Each of the two stories (one based on historical events and sources and one based on a fictionalized account from The Great Gatsby) and the overall page layout are worth 5 points, for a total of 15 possible points. Each section should contain the appropriate use of photos/captions or other features typically found in that section. To receive full points, the pictures should be appropriate, related to the stories, and have a caption. Pages should contain other features unique to that page (eg, the flag for page one).

For individual grades, the following scale will be used.

1. • **5** - **an A** – the article is historically accurate, has few or no grammatical errors, and is written in a style appropriate to that section of the newspaper. (eg. News, lifestyle, editorials etc.) The article includes a headline and a byline.
2. • **4 - a B** – complete, but without as much detail, or with some grammatical errors; the style may be inappropriate for that section of the newspaper. The article has a headline and a byline.
3. • **3 - a C/D** – too brief, or with little or no detail. It may have many grammatical errors; the style may be inappropriate for that section of the newspaper. The article may not have a headline or a byline.
4. • **2/1 -** **a D/F** – the article is inaccurate and/or inappropriately written. It has many grammatical errors and may be unacceptably brief. The stories may not have a headline or byline.
5. • **0 -** indicates that there is no story on the page.

**Mechanics/Clarity:**

**Documentation/bibliography (0-5 points)**

1. • Each historical article, picture, and advertisement must have a reference citation giving credit to the original source. In addition, there must be a completed bibliography of all of the sources used attached to the back of the newspaper.
2. • Scores are determined by the completeness and accuracy of the bibliography - and inclusion of a reference citation for each source included in the paper. (These appear after the historical article and under pictures, advertisements, etc. which were taken from the American Memory collections or other sources.)

**Neatness/Creativity (0-5 points)**

1. • Points are earned for overall appearance, neatness, and creativity of the page.

**Group Page Total Grade Scale**

**23-25 = A**

**21-22 = B**

**19-20 = C**

* 1. **= D**

**0-16 = F**